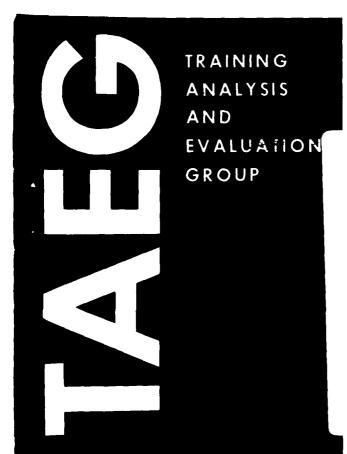


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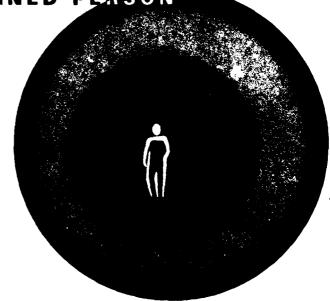
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#### SECTION I

#### INTRODUCTION

The combination of increasing complexity of military equipment and a decreasing manpower pool with questionable quality of entering military personnel and rapid turnover presents a paradox: longer training pipelines and shortfalls in trainee capability. Admiral Isaac Kidd, USN Retired, Chairman of the Defense Science Board Summer Study on Training and Training Technology stated, "It is clear that the training task is harder than it ever has been. It may well not need to get harder if we smarten up. Modern technology may offer some substantial increases in training efficiency that could save scarce time for training and dramatically improve force effectiveness."

One avenue towards increases in training efficiency is the use of computers to construct curriculum materials. Specifically indicated is the expanded use of text-graphic instructional materials to describe how to operate and maintain military equipment (see appendix A).

While text-graphics materials have proven successful both as learning aids and job performance aids, they are expensive to develop. The high cost has restricted the use of these materials to research projects and to a few well supported programs. The high cost of text-graphic materials is due in part to the labor intensive work of creating the graphic art and in composing complex pages of illustrations and text. To reduce the cost of producing text-graphic materials, computer routines are being developed to generate illustrations and to automate page composition. The present report is a contribution to this effort.

### **PURPOSE**

This report is a user's guide for the computer automated Page Layout (PLA) of text-graphic materials. Specifically, this guide is designed to aid the user in:

- documenting the procedures to be trained
- preparing format data for use with PLA routines
- employing PLA to layout text-graphic pages.

### TAEG INITIATIVES

PLA was developed to support the production of Procedure Training Aids (PTA). The PTA is one of five learning aid formats developed to teach five common types of learning tasks in Navy training. 2 Both PLA and the learning aid formats were developed under the sponsorship of the Naval Technical

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Defense Science Board, Summer Study, Training and Training Technology, August 1982.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>R. Braby, C. J. Brown, and A. F. Smode. <u>Handbook of Format Models for Designers of Technical Training Materials</u>. TAEG Report No. 129, 1982. Training Analysis and Evaluation Group, Orlando, FL 32813

Information Presentation Program (NTIPP) at the David W. Taylor Naval Ship Research and Development Center. NTIPP is a major effort by the Navy to use current technology in the publication of training materials and technical manuals for operating and maintaining military equipment. The Chief of Naval Education and Training (CNET) tasked TAEG to support the NTIPP effort since the technical manuals and training materials will be employed in CNET-managed "C" schools.

## OVERVIEW OF THE USER'S GUIDE TO PLA

In addition to this introduction, this guide contains two sections and four appendices. Section II describes the processes involved in preparing data for use in PLA. These processes include how to: (1) describe the steps in the procedures to be taught, (2) organize the description of the procedure into information pages which meet the requirements of the procedure training aid format, and (3) prepare worksheets with picture dimensions and picture-text relationships which will be entered into the computer routine as format data. Section III is a job performance aid on how to actually enter the format data into the PLA routine.

Appendix A contains sample pages of the instructional material created using PLA. Appendix B is the format model for designing procedure training aids. Error messages for the PLA system are listed in appendix C. A grid master to produce an overlay to compute picture dimensions and coordinates is contained in appendix D.

### SECTION II

## PREPARING FORMAT DATA FOR USE IN PAGE LAYOUT (PLA)

This section provides directions on how to:

document procedures to be taught

organize the document information into Procedure Training Aid page formats

 prepare worksheets to enter Procedure Training Aid format data into the Page Layout routine.

These activities performed in sequence are described in detail below.

### **DOCUMENT THE PROCEDURE**

The first task is to collect and organize descriptions of each step in the procedure to be taught. Many procedures will have an official checklist which, while it will not provide much information about how to perform the procedure, will provide a sequence of the steps. Other procedures will not have a checklist and, thus, will have no formal organization other than that given by subject matter experts (SME) in the actual performance of the procedure. If a checklist does not exist, one must be created for the procedure. Document the performance of the procedure to be taught in the following manner:

- 1. Use the procedure checklist to organize the sequence of steps in the PTA.
- 2. Observe a SME actually perform the procedure. Describe in writing as clearly as possible each step in the procedure as performed by the SME. Photograph the entire piece of equipment and each portion that is used in the procedure.
- 3. Assemble a number of SMEs to review the photographs and written description of the procedure. Revise the description until the SMEs arrive at a concensus that the procedure is described as it should be taught.
- 4. Group the steps of the procedure into clusters that logically fit together. Large clusters (more than seven steps) should be divided into two or more smaller clusters.
  - 5. Describe in as clear and brief language as possible the following:
    - operator actions performed in each step of the procedure
    - equipment responses (if any) to the action performed at each step
    - operator reactions to equipment responses as they occur.
- 6. Select pictures which illustrate each action and visual response in the performance of the procedure.

### ORGANIZE THE DOCUMENTED INFORMATION INTO PTA PAGES

Utilization of the PTA format requires the preparation of four distinct types of pages: Information, Paraphrase, Road Map and Mock-up. All information taught in the PTA is introduced on Information Pages. Subsequently, Paraphrase Pages are used to provide self-checks on memory of that information. Road Map Pages provide prompted practice in the performance of the procedure through chaining drills called finger tracing exercises. Mock-up Pages provide unprompted practice in performance of the procedure requiring recall of the steps. The PLA routines are used in creating the Information Pages and the Paraphrase Pages which are variations of the Information Pages. The Road Map and Mock-up Pages are easily constructed by hand and are not supported by the PLA routines. See appendix B for a detailed description of these PTA format pages. The following steps describe the preparation of Information Pages. Each step is illustrated in figure 1.

- 1. Select the step(s) to be included on an Information Page. Limit the information on a page to as few steps as practical (rarely more than four).
- 2. Identify in the Header the cluster or checklist items and specific steps included on the Information Page.
- 3. Illustrate the steps with an overview picture of the equipment and close-up views of the portion of the equipment related to the steps described on that page.
- 4. Illustrate observable equipment responses to each action whenever the responses are essential cues for performing the procedure.
- 5. Describe the action for each step and enclose it in a box called an action label. Each label should be numbered in the sequence in which the action occurs in the procedure. An arrow should point to the location on the close-up illustration where the action takes place.
- 6. Describe responses that result from actions in separate response labels adjacent to the action label or include them in the action label.
- 7. Underline key words or numbers that must be remembered while performing the procedure.
- 8. Include directions to the learner in a Footer statement at the bottom of each page.

## WRITING STYLE

Writing style is critical to the success of a PTA. Authors should ensure that the writing is clear and understandable. For that reason they should use active voice rather than passive voice when preparing label text.

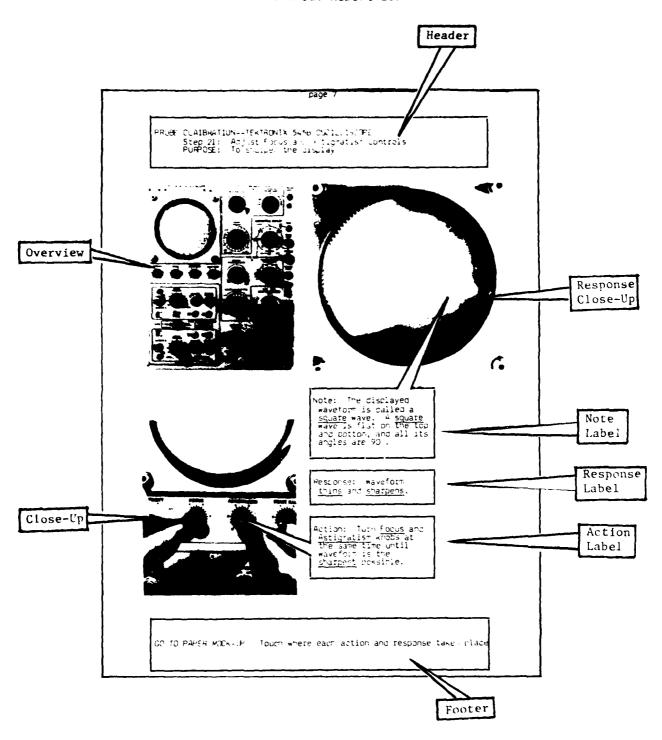


Figure 1 Information Page

An illustration of the differences between the voice and passive voice is shown below. Active voice tends to be terse and encourages readers to perceive themselves performing the actions. Passive voice tends to be wordy and obscures the intended action.

PASSIVE VOICE

The Vertical Gyro switch must be set to the port position. The Port position for the Vertical Gyro switch is in the UP direction.

The four Hardover switches should be checked to determine whether they are in the OFF position. Also, the covers for the Hardover switches must be returned to the down position after the check is completed.

ACTIVE VOICE

Set Vertical Gyro Switch to Port (up).

Check 4 Hardover switches  $\overline{\text{OFF}}$  (covers  $\underline{\text{down}}$ ).

Authors preparing data for entry as input for the PLA program will find it convenient to use worksheets. These worksheets are written records of the contents of a page as well as a set of notes to aid in the data entry process. Also, using worksheets will make it easier to edit and revise PLA Page Data and to create the paste-up of camera-ready pages.

## JOB PERFORMANCE AID FOR PREPARING WORKSHEETS

This sussection provides quidance in preparing worksheets which will be used to enter data into the PLA program. This material should be used in the following manner: (1) check the header to identify the specific procedure addressed on the page, (2) read label number one and any adjacent notes, (3) identify where the action occurs in the illustration, and (4) perform the action required, if any, and go on to the next numbered label. The procedures for preparing worksheets include the following:

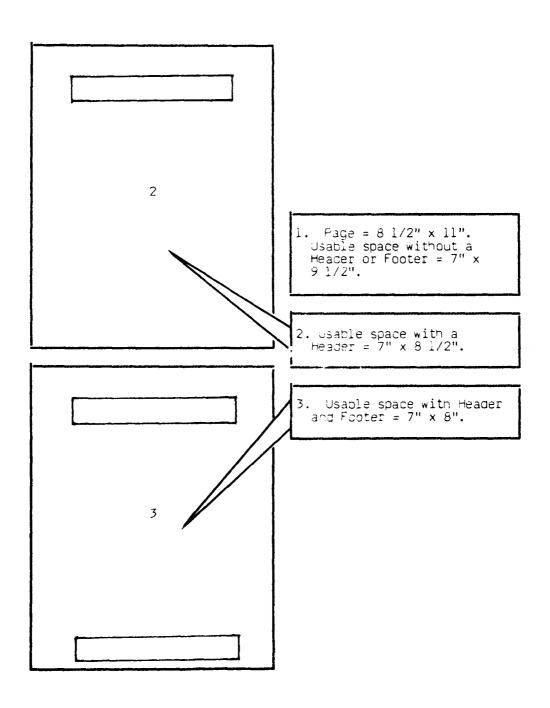
- dimensions of usable space on a page
- contents of Header and Footer
- selecting and numbering pictures
- label text and number sequence
- picture and label relationships.

These procedures are included in the following seven pages. Completion of this process for all steps to be included in the PTA will result in a complete set of worksheets for generating the Information Pages. Section III provides directions for entering the information and notes from the worksheets into the PLA program.

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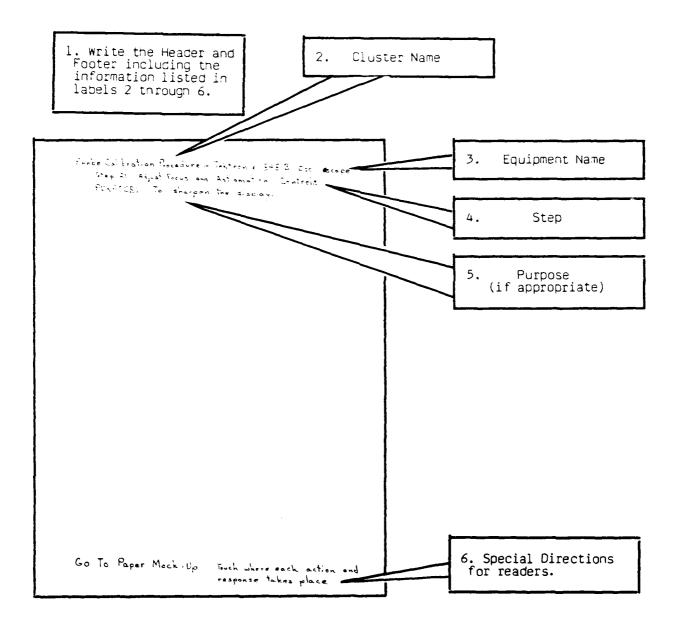
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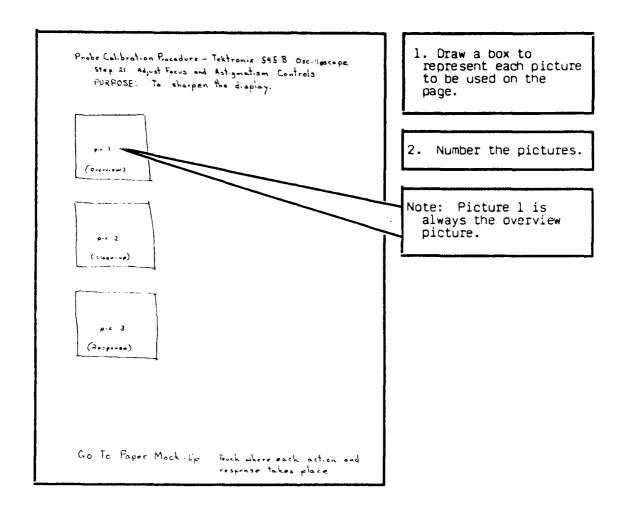
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## PLA: DATA PREPARATION -- WORKSHEETS

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## PLA: DATA PREPARATION -- WORKSHEETS

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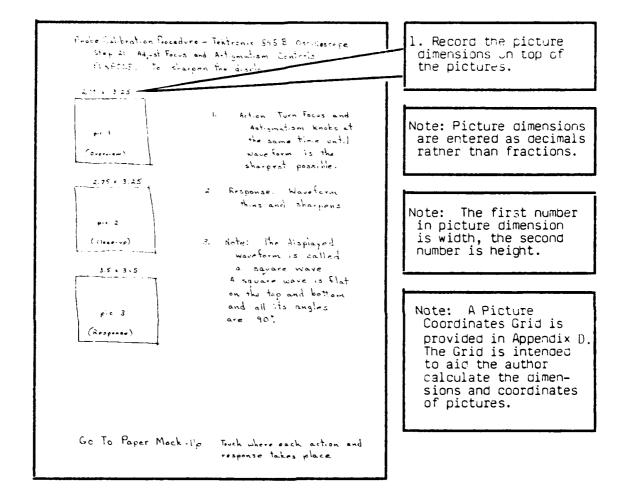
1. Write the label text.

2. Number the labels in the order you wish them to appear.

Note: Layouts with 1 and 2 pictures may have up to 8 labels. Layouts with 3,4, and 5 pictures may have up to 4 labels.

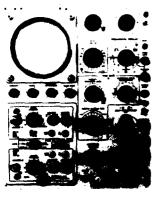
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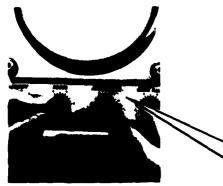
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PLA: DATA PREPARATION -- WORKSHEETS

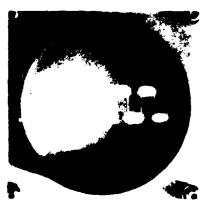
Picture and Label Relationships





1. Determine the coordinates of the points in the pictures at which arrows from the close-up pictures and labels will terminate.

Example: The coordinates for picture 2 are 1" in from the left side and 0.75" down from the top of the overview picture.

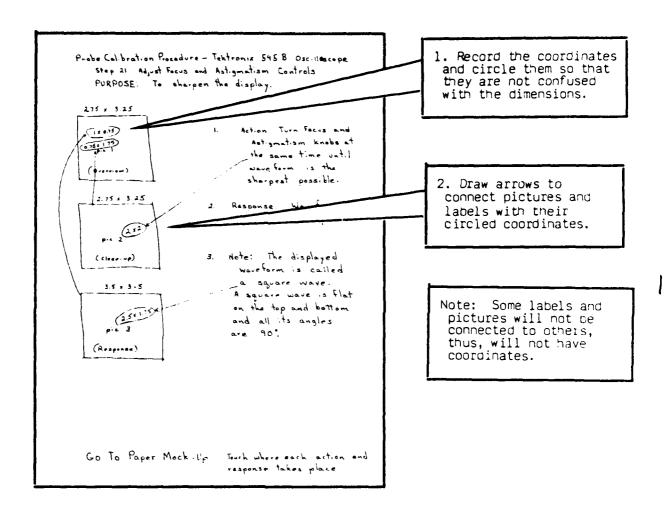


Note: Coordinates are always measured from the upper left corner of the picture.

Note: Labels <u>can not</u> be attached to Picture 1 <u>except</u> in a one picture layout.

PLA: DATA PREPARATION -- WORKSHEETS

Picture and Label Relationships



After all worksheets are completed, enter the data as input for the PLA program. 15

## SECTION III

## A JOB PERFORMANCE AID FOR CONSTRUCTING PAGES WITH PAGE LAYOUT

This section contains detailed instructions for creating Information Pages using the PLA program. The section is self-contained and may be used separately from the remainder of the report. There are two page numbering systems in section III. Numbers at the top of the page refer exclusively to the Job Performance Aid. Numbers at the bottom of the page relate to page position in the present report.

This JPA contains detailed instructions for creating an Information Page using PLA. These instructions include how to: access the PLA program on the computer, create and edit PLA files, and generate, display, and print page layouts.

A description of equipment requirements and a brief overview of the program segments within PLA are presented first. The remainder of the section is a Job Performance Aid on how to use PLA. The reader should note that the PLA program was used to lay out the instructional pages of this section.

Learning the PLA procedure will be facilitated if each step is performed on a computer terminal. Also, performance of the procedures requires at least one completed worksheet for data entry. Read the equipment requirements and the program overview and then follow the directions for Accessing the Page Layout Algorithm File. The illustrations in this JPA are computer print-outs of PLA displays generated as the JPA was developed. The content of these displays may be confused with the labels, therefore, the illustrations are denoted by a gray tone. The JPA should be used in the following manner: (1) check the header to identify the program segment and specific procedure addressed on the page, (2) read label number one and adjacent notes, (3) identify where the action occurs in the illustrations, and (4) perform the action required, if any, and go on to the next numbered label.

## **EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS**

The PLA program was developed for use on a WANG 2200 VP or MVP system and is presently available only in WANG BASIC programming language.<sup>3</sup>

Equipment required to utilize PLA at the present time include:

Terminal - WANG 2116A CRT, or WANG 2236D CRT -- Graphics Capability

Disk - WANG Hard Disk, or - WANG 2270A Diskette Drive

Printer - WANG 2281 Daisy Wheel Printer

Authors using WANG 2270A diskette drives will need two of the drives to operate the PLA programs. The diskette containing the PLA programs must be inserted into the first diskette drive. The second diskette which is to contain the project files and work spaces will be inserted into the second diskette drive.

Federal agencies can obtain the PLA software by sending a written request along with one WANG 2270A flexible disk to the Training Analysis and Evaluation Group, Naval Training Center, Orlando, FL 32813.

<sup>3</sup>It is expected that some PLA users will convert the programs into languages compatible with other computer systems.

## PLA OVERVIEW

Figure 2 contains an outline of the six segments of the PLA operations. The outline includes a brief description of each segment intended to assist the reader in establishing the relationships of the various operations of PLA.

The remainder of this section is a job performance aid, designed to instruct the reader in the step-by-step use of PLA.

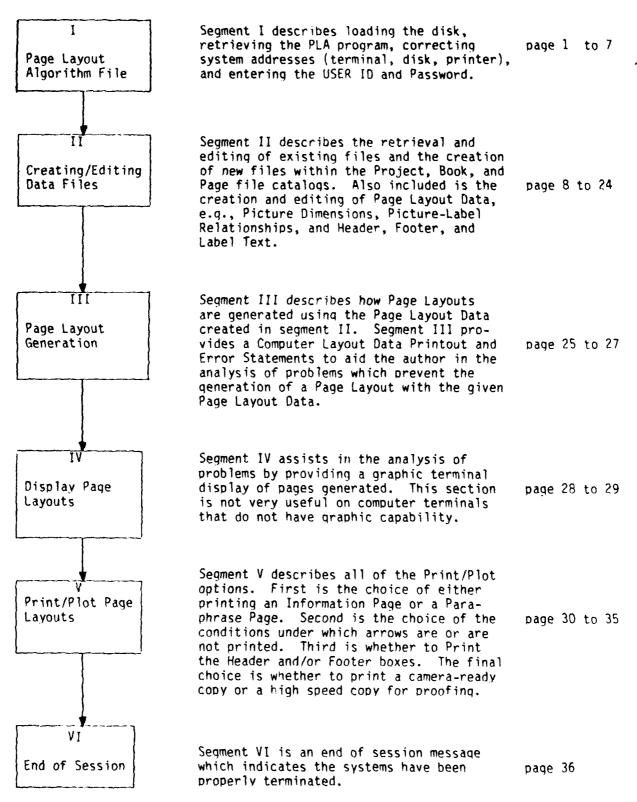
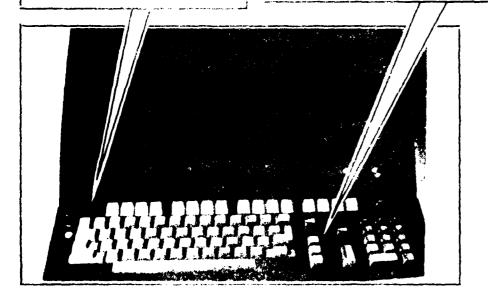


Figure 2. Outline of the PLA Operations

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## SEGMENT I: ACCESSING THE PAGE LAYOUT ALCORITHM FILE Disk Menu

1. If PLA programs are stored on a Diskette go to page 3.

If PLA programs are stored on a hard disk go on to the next step.

2. If the PLA file is not included in the Menu display may in: CLEAR (rour disk number) Results: New Menu Display

\*\*\*\* 2200 VP/MVP DISK POM SELECTION NENU \*\*\*\*\*

Select item with SPACE & BACKSPACE. Key RUN to execute, CLEAR or PREV SCRN for previous screen. Terminal 1

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- . PSS: Personnel Directory System
- . NRO: Naval ROTC Tracking System
- . PRSN: Performance Evaluation & Wage Data System
- RTC: Recruit Training Scheduling Model . HELD: Helocopter Pilot Performance Data
- . SYSTEM Utilities Disk Menu (ISS Utilities)

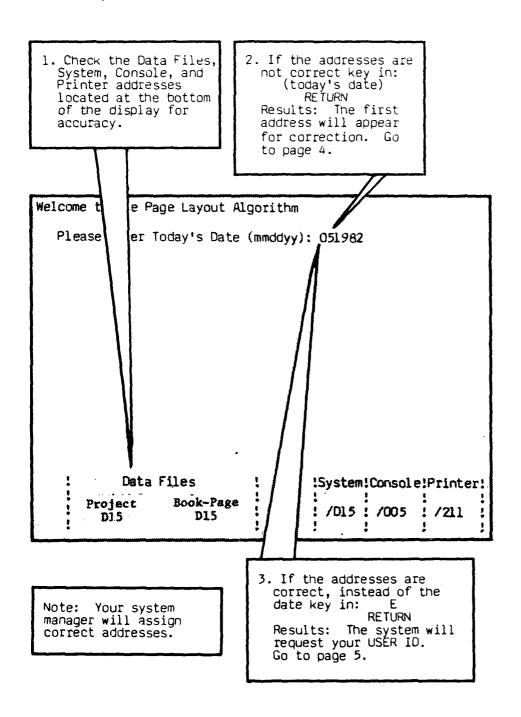
3. Move the Cursor to your file by keying the Spacebar (down) or Backspace (up). Then key in: RUN (NO RETURN)

Results: The screen will read: LOADING PLA.ADRS

Then the screen will read: Welcome to page layout algorithm.

Go to page 3.

# SEGMENT I: ACCESSING THE PAGE LAYOUT ALGORITHM FILE System Addresses



## SEGMENT I: ACCESSING THE PAGE LAYOUT ALGORITHM FILE System Addresses

1. After keying in today's date the system addresses will be displayed one at a time. 2. If the address displayed is correct key in: RETURN. Results: The next system address will be displayed.

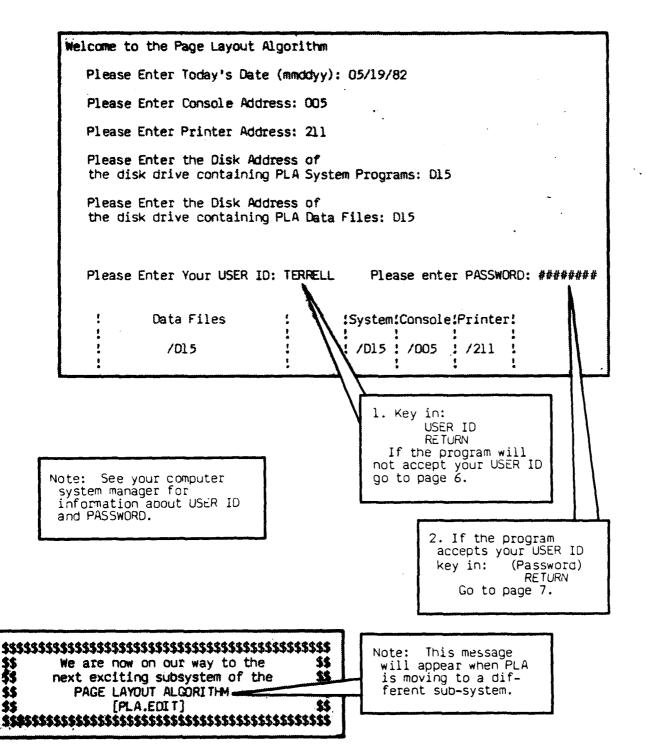
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(correct address) RE TURN

will request your USER ID and Password. Go on to the next page.

## SEGMENT I: ACCESSING THE PAGE LAYOUT ALGORITHM FILE

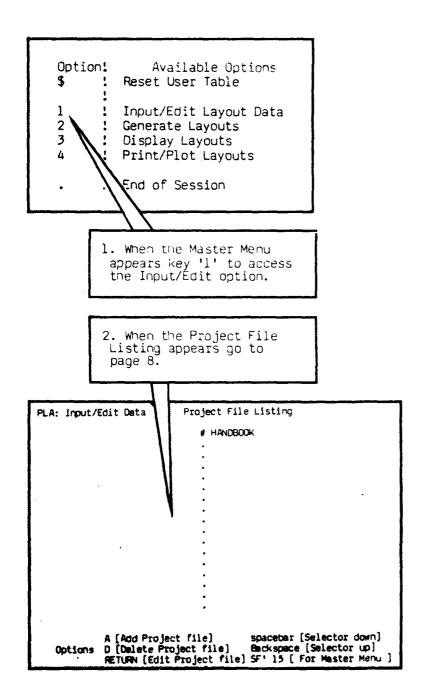
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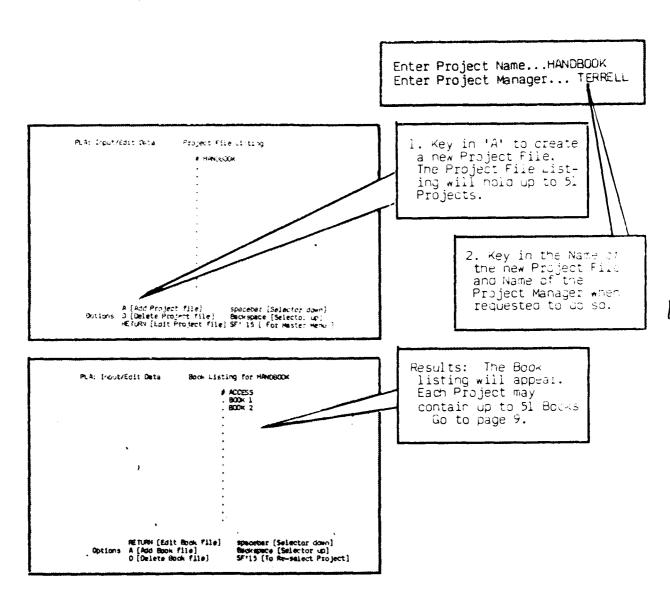
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# SEGMENT I: ACCESSING THE PAGE LAYOUT ALGURITHM FILE Master Menu

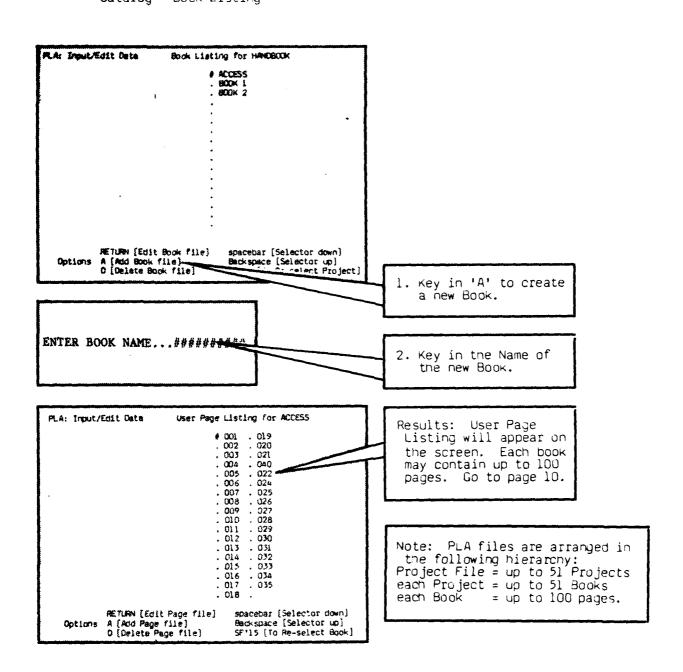


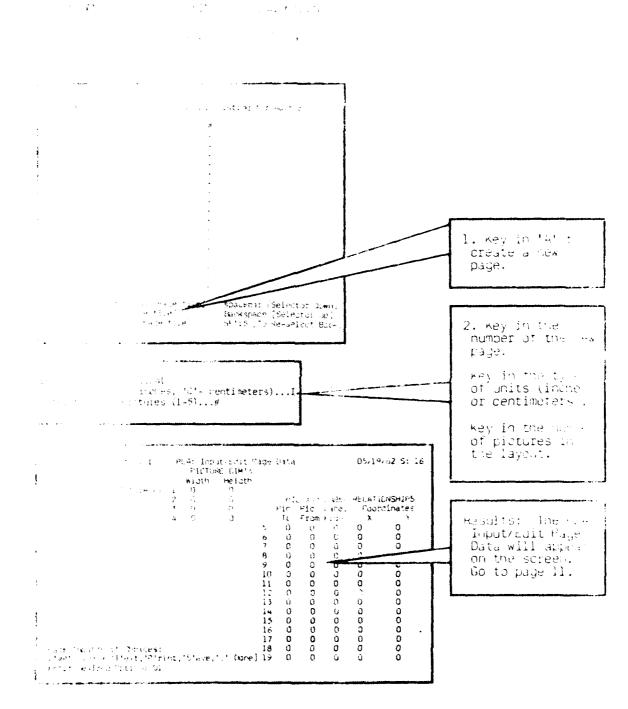
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SEGMENT II: CREATING/EDITING FILES

Catalog - Book Listing





## SEGMENT II: CREATING/EDITING FILES

Picture Dimensions

1. First, key in RETURN until the Cursor is on the desired line. You may return the Cursor to the previous data point by keying Special Function Key SF-15.

2. Next, key in the dimensions of each picture. You must use a O preceding the decimal point for any number less than one (e.g., 0.55).

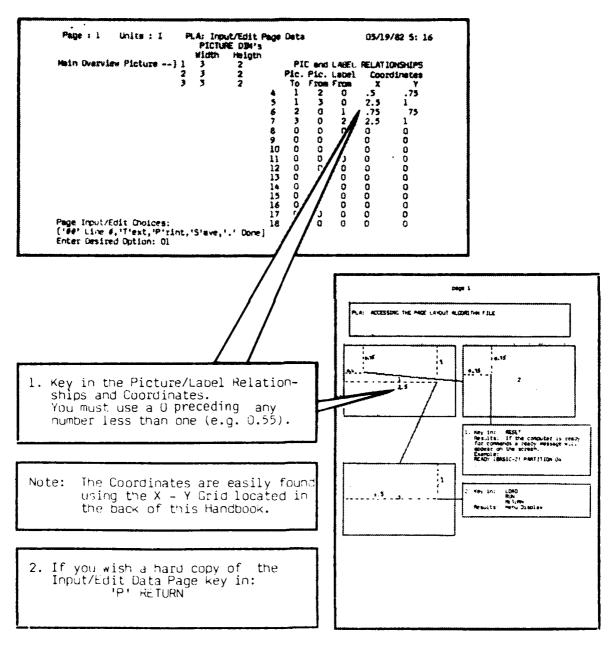
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Note: Picture 1 is always the overview picture.

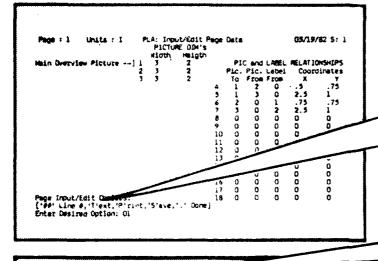
SEGMENT II: CREATING/EDITING FILES

Input/Edit Page Data



Go to page 13.

Header



l. Key in 'T'

RETURN

Results: The

Text Menu will

appear on the

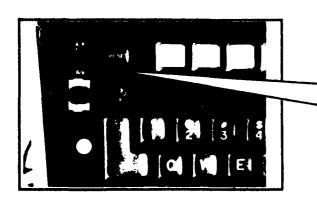
screen.

Text Input/Edit Choices:
{'L'abel Input/Edit, 'D'elete Label, 'H'eader, 'F'goter, '.' Text Done}
Enter the Desired Option: #

2. If you wish a Header message key in: 'H'. If you do not wish a Header go to page 14.

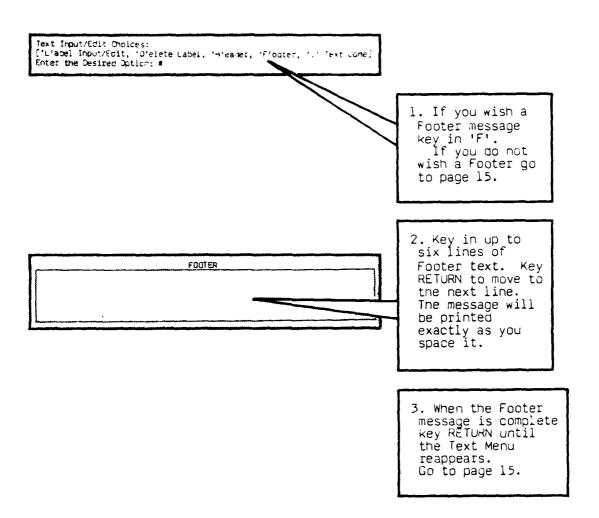
HEADER
PLA: ACCESSING THE PAGE LAYOUT ALCORITHM FILE

3. Key in up to six lines of Header text. Key RETURN to move Cursor next line. When the message is complete Key RETURN until the Text Menu appears.



Note: If you wish to use the upper and lower case alphabet switch the selector located on the upper left corner of the key board. Go to page 14.

Footer

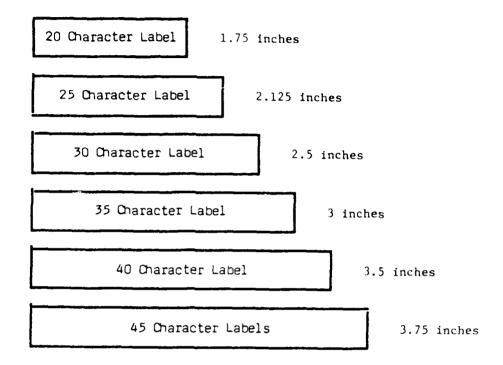


Label

1. If you wish to enter a labél key in 'L' . Text Input/Edit Choices: ['L'abel Input/Edit, 'J'elete Lanel, 'm'eader, 'F'ooter, '.' Text Done] Enter the Then key the number of the label you wish to enter. 2. Enter the labels in the order you wish them to appear. Example: label 1 will appear next to label 2. Enter the Desired Label To Input/Edit (1 - 4): # Note: If you wish to correct a label number, key in SF-15 to return to the Enter the Label Character Width ( 1 - 75 ): ## previous data entry point. 3. Label Character width may be manipulated to provide short-wide or tallnarrow labels. Check label widths on page 16.

SEGMENT II: CREATING/EDITING FILES

Label Character Width



Note: The computer will allow up to 75 characters.

Go to page 17.

Use this Label Character Width Scale to aid in the estimation of label sizes.

on the screen. Go to page 20.

Enter the Label Character Width (1 - 75): ## Page Layout Algorithm: Text Input/Edit LABEL 1 1. Enter the Label Character Width. Label 1 will appear with a line of dashes corresponding to the Label Character Width. key: RETURN [NOTE: Key '\$' at the End of a Line to End the Label] 2. Key in the information as you wish it to appear in the label. Label 1 in this example is "i.". It could be called Note or any other Page Layout Algorithm: Text Input/Edit designation you choose. LASEL 1 1. Key in: RESET Results: If the computer is ready for commands a ready message will appear on the screen. Note: If you wish to Example: correct errors go to page 18. If you wish to READY (BASIC-2) PARTITION 04 underline go to page 19. 3. At the end of the text key in: RETURN SPACEBAR (to end of line) \$ RETURN Note: After you have keyed in RETURN to end the label the Text Menu will appear

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# SEGMENT II: OREATING/EDITING FILES Labels and objections

#### LABEL 1

Note: The Paraphrase Page is a duplicate of the Information Page with the key words blanked out. The purpose of the Paraphrase Page is to provide readers a self-check on how well they remember the material presented on the Information Page.

1. If you wish to underline a key word:

FIRST, key the <u>underline</u>, THEN, key the <u>letter</u>.

#### LABEL 1

Note: The

is a duplicate of the

with the

key words

purpose of the

is to provide readers

a self-check on how well

they remember the material

presented on the

2. When Paraphrase Pages are printed ALL under-lined words are blanked out.
Return to page 17.

 After completing Label : you may key in 'L' to begin Label 2.

Page Layout Algorithm: To LABE!

2. Key in: LOAD RUN RETURN Results: Menu Lay

Text/input/Edit Choices: ['L'abel Input/Edit, 'Dielete Label, 'H'eader, 'F'outet, '.' Text Done] Enter the Desired Option: 1

 If you wish to delete a latel well in [12] and the number of the lanel that shu libed deleted.

> 7. Key in a period '.' when text entry is nomble ted and you wish to return to the input Fait Page Data Menu. In to page 21.

Input/Edit Page Data

 Option 'P' provides a hard copy of the Input/Edit Page Data, Header, and Footer.

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"##" Line #,'T'ext,'P' inter Desired Option: (	ric	٦٤,	'\$'a	ive,'.	' Done			. 0	U	<i>u</i>	υ

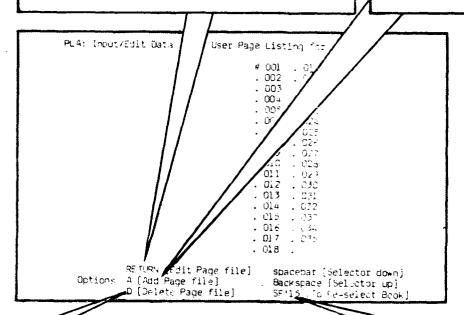
- 2. Option 'S' starus the Indut'Edit Page Data and Text Data in the permanent Page Layout Algorith File.
- 3. WARNING. Option '.' returns you to the Page Listing Menu, however, you will LOSE the data entries or changes you have made during this session.
- 4. For the purposes of this exercise key 'S' and go on to page 22.

#### SELMEN II: CREATING/EUTING FILTS

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l. Cotion RETORN will recall the Page listed adjacent to the Corsor. Key brace-BAR or BACKSPALE to move the Corsor.

2. Uption 'A' will initiate the process of creating a new Page File.



 Option 'a' will delete the Page rile adjacent to the Curso;

4. uptim SF-i5 will return you to the Book Listing for the Project in which you are working.

Note: defore deleting the file the computer will ask ARE YOR Suke (Y/N)? Keying in 'Y' will delete the file. Keying in 'N' will retain the file.

For the purposes of this exercise key SF-15 and go to page 23.

Input/Edit Data -- Book File

 The menu options permit you to edit, add, or delete a Book.

PLA: Imput/Edit Data

Book Listing for HANDBOOK

# ACCESS
BOOK 1
BOOK 2

RETURN [Edit Book file]
Options A [Add Book file]
D [Delete Book file]
Spacebar [Selector down]
Backspace [Selector up]
SF'15 [To Re-select Project]

- 2. Option SF 15 will return you to the Project File Listing.
- For the purposes of this exercise key SF-15 and go to page 24.

# SEGMENT II: CREATING/EDITING FILES Input/Edit Data -- Project File

 The Menu options permit you to edit, add, or delete a Project.

PLA: Input/Edit Data

Project file Listing

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A [Add Project file] spacebar [Selector down]

Options D [Delete Project file] Backspace [Selector up]

RETURN [Edit Project file] SF: 15 [ For Master Menu ]

- 2. Option SF 15 will return you to the Master Menu.
- For the purpose of this exercise key SF-15 and go to page 25.

#### SEGMENT III: PAGE LAYOUT GENERATION

Option:	Available Options Reset User Table
1 2 3 4 1	Input/Edit Layout Data Generate Layouts Display Layouts Print/Plot Layouts
. :	End of Session

1. Key in '2' to access the Generate Layouts option. Go to page 26 after reading the remaining labels on this page.

#### PAGE GENERATION CHOICES

#### OPT IONS

- Generate ALL Pages of a Book 2
- Generate a Single Page
  - RETURN TO MASTER MENU

Note: The Generate Layouts option actually generates page layouts using the data entered into the Input/Edit Layout Data File.

Please Specify the BOOK Required ENTER DESIRED BOOK: #########

2. Option 'l' will generate all the Pages of a Book.

3. If you selected option '1' you would key in the Project Name and Book Name when requested to do so.

SEGMENT III: PAGE LAYOUT GENERATION

# PAGE GENERATION CHOICES OPTIONS 1 Generate ALL Pages of a Book 2 Generate a Single Page RETURN TO MASTER MENU 1. For the purposes of this exercise key in '2' to generate a single page of a Book. 2. Key in the Project Name, Book Name and Page Number when requested to do so. Go on to page 27. Please Specify the PROJECT Required Please Specify the BOOK Required ENTER DESIRED BOOK: ######### Please Specify the PAGE Required ENTER DESIRED PAGE: ###

## SEGMENT III: PAGE LAYOUT GENERATION

Error Messages

 FATAL ERROR messages indicate why a Page may not be generated. A complete list of error messages is provided in Appendix C.

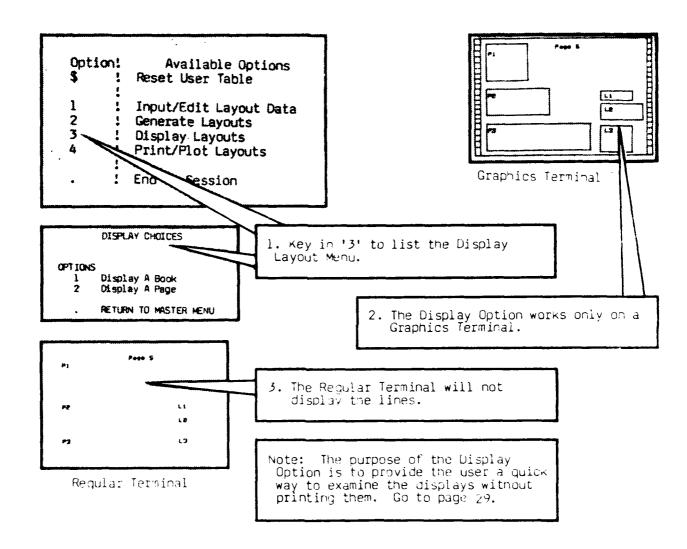
FATAL ERROR: More Than 1 Picture to a Label For Page 1, ABORTED:

\*\* processing page 1 \*\*

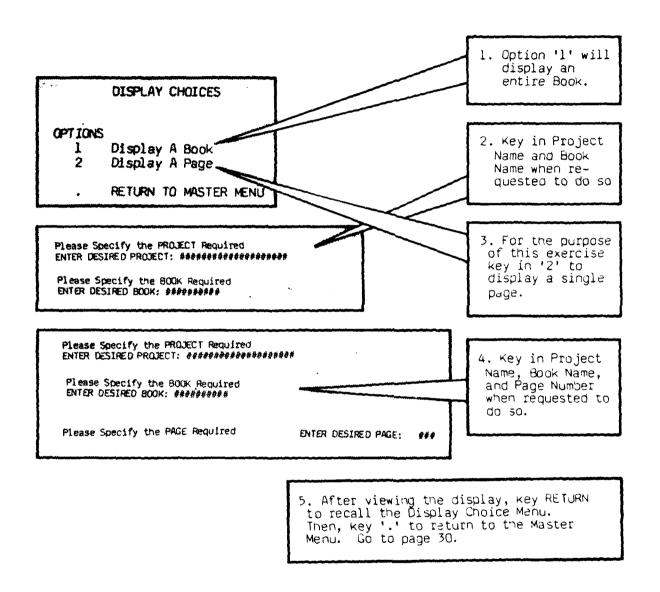
-{ANY KEY TO CONTINUE}

- 2. When an Error Message occurs, key in SF 15 to return to the Master Menu. You may then proceed to Input/Edit Page Data to correct the error.
- 3. If a Fatal Error does not occur the program will generate all the pages. When the last page is generated the Page Generation Menu will return to the screen. Key a period '.' to return to the Master Menu. Go to page 28.

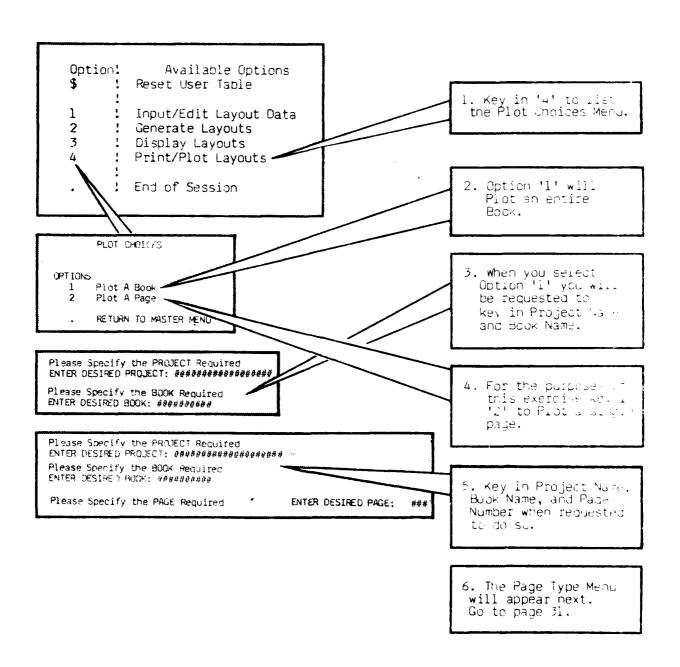
SEGMENT IV: DISPLAY PAGE LAYOUTS



SEGMENT IV: DISPLAY PAGE LAYOUTS



SEGMENT 7: PRINT/PLUT PAGE LAYOUTS



# SEGMENT V: PRINT/PLUT PAGE LAYOUTS Information/Paraphrase Pages

1. Option 'l' prints out Information Pages

PAGE TYPE CHOICES

OPTIONS

2

Information Page(s) Paraphrase Page(s)

RETURN TO PREVIOUS MENU

Note: The Information Page is the basic instructional page in a Procedure Training Aid. The pages in this Handbook are Information Pages.

2. Option '2' prints out Paraphrase Pages.

Note: The Paraphrase Page is a duplicate of the Information Page with key words blanked out. The purpose of the Paraphrase Page is to provide readers a self-check on how well they remember the material presented on the Information Page.

3. For the purposes of this exercise key 'l' and go to page 32. The Page Arrow Menu will appear next.

#### SEGMENT V: PRINT/PLOT PAGE LAYOUTS

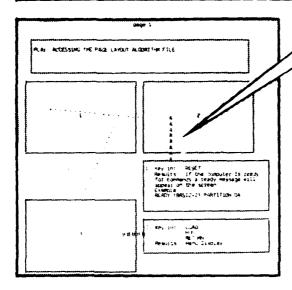
Arraw Choices

#### PAGE ARROW CHOICES

#### **OPTIONS**

- 1 With ALL generated arrows
- 2 With ALL generated arrows lettered
- 3 With NO label/picture cutting arrows
- 4 With NO Arrows At All
- . RETURN TO PREVIOUS MENU

- Uption 'l' provides a printout with all arrows including those that dut labels and pictures.
- 2. Option '2' provides label arrows printe: in letters inatead of outs.



- 3. Option 131 provides
  a unintout which
  eximinates arrows
  that out labels :
  pictures.
  Option 3 is penerally
  used we the final
  printout. The clining
  and arrows are craw
  is overland.
- 4. dotte: '.' in.vides
   a printed: w .un of. =
   inates all art ws.
- For the purposes of this exercise key 'i' and go to page 33.
   The Header/Facter Munuwill appear next.

#### SEGMENT V: PRINT/PLOT PAGE LAYOUTS

Header/Footer Border Printouts

l. For the purposes of this exercise key '3' which indicates both Header and Footer should be printed. The Plot Speed Control will appear next. Go to page 34.

## HEADER/FOOTER CHOICES

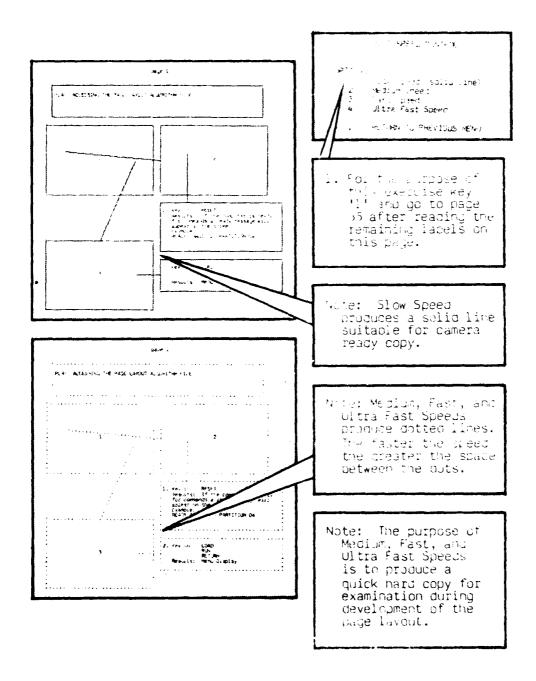
#### OPTIONS 1

2

- Header Bordered Footer Bordered Both Bordered Neither Bordered
  - RETURN TO PREVIOUS MENU

Note: The advantage in opting not to use a border is the time saved in printing.

# SEGMENTA: FRINDERSOT HAS LAND IN Might presidential

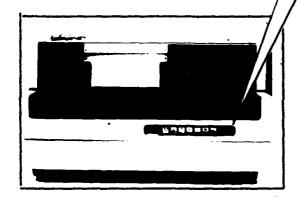


# SEGMENT V: PRINT/PLOT PAGE LAYOUT Daisy Wheel Printer

Make Sure the Daisy-Wheel Top-of-Form is Set Where You Want It, and the pitch is set to '12', and then Hit Any Key to Continue.

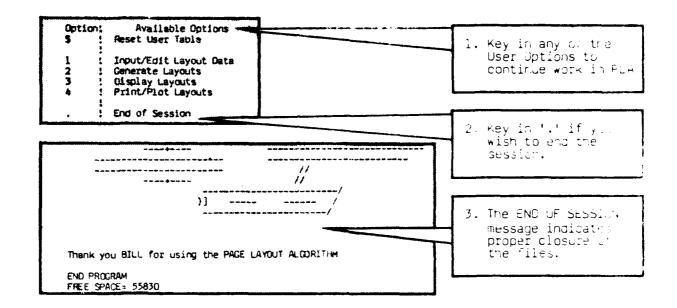
Note: This statement will appear on the screen when the program is ready to print.

 Switch the Daisy Wheel Pitch Control to 12. Make sure the power is turned on.



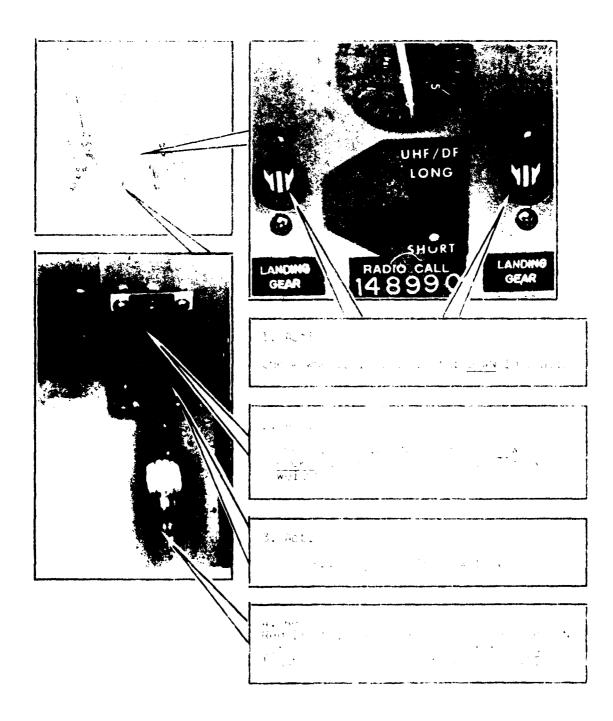
- 2. Hit any key to Print/Plot.
- 3. When Print/Plot is completed the Plot Choice Menu will appear on the screen.
- 4. For the purposes of this exercise key in a period '.' to return to the Master Menu. Go to page 36.

#### SEGMENT VI: END OF SESSION



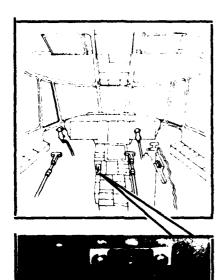
# APPENDIX A

SAMPLE PAGES OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS CREATED USING PLA



#### GO TU PARER MULKEY: . Step to rough item

- Touch whole maps a time a control of the place



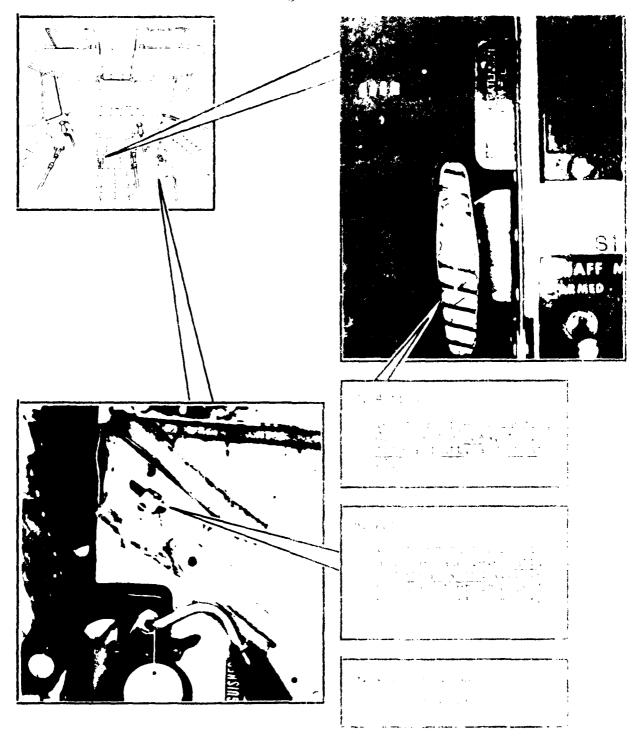
5. Action

Release HDL LT TEST switch

6. Results

Light in LDG GEAR CONT handle goes  $\underline{\text{OUT}}$ 

- GO TO PAPER MOCK-UP: . Step through item . Touch where each action and response takes place



- GO TO PAPER MOCK-UP: . Step through each item . Touch where each actions is ported taken place

## APPENDIX B

FORMAT MODEL FOR DESIGNING PROCEDURE TRAINING AIDS

#### Technical Responses

# FORMAT MODEL PERFORMING PROCEDURES

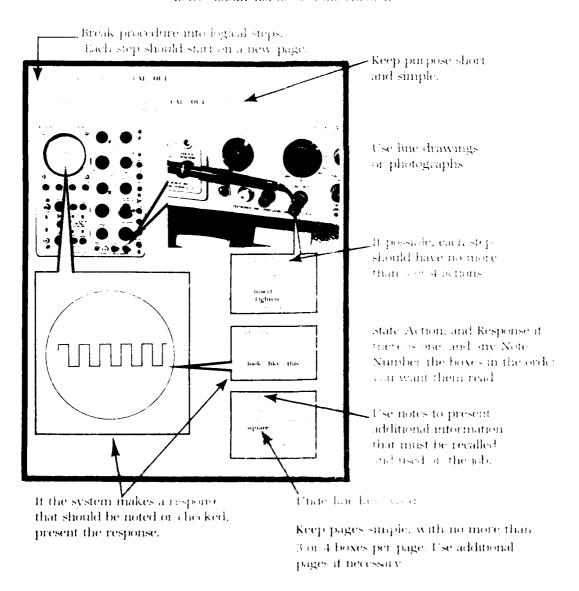
A general format for use in designing training  $n_{\rm corr} = w \ln h$  present steps of a power  $n_{\rm corr} > 0$  performed from memory.

#### Performing Procedures Format Model - Page 1

Use this page format to present each step in a procedure.

The purpose of this page for and is to present

- a word description of the step- anginasize human action.
- a visual display of the step--emphasize human action.
- the purpose of the step.
- s the location of actions on equipment
- the system response to a tions taken
- notes -additional needed information



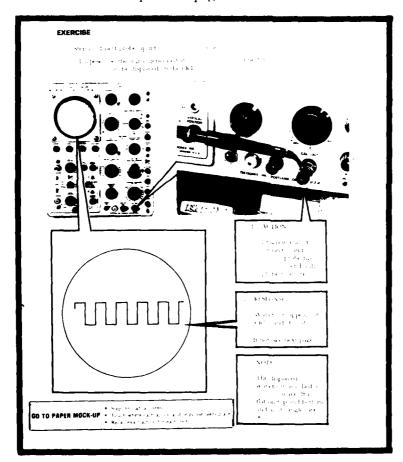
#### Performing Procedures Format Model - Page 2

Use this page format immediately following each use of the page 1 format.

The purpose of this page format is to:

- provide students exercise in the recall of key words in the procedure.
- direct the students to practice the step on the paper mock-up.

Copy the previous page. Then drop out key words that were underlined on the previous page.



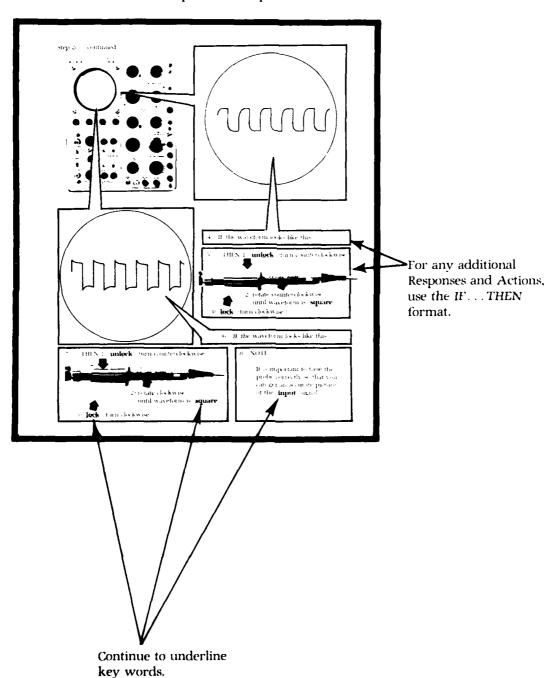
Add directions requiring students to go to the paper mock-up to practice the step.

### Performing Procedures Format Model - Page 3

Use this If/Then page to describe simple branches in a procedure.

The purpose of this page format is to:

- describe a special condition that changes the normal procedure.
- describe the action to respond to the special condition.

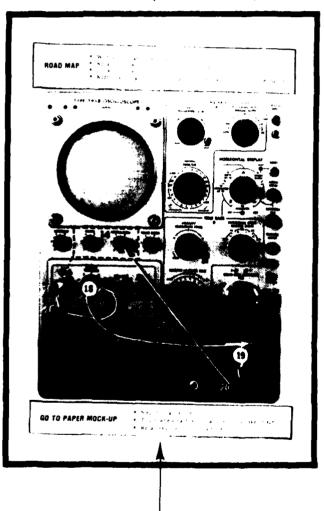


### Performing Procedures Format Model - Page 4

Use this page after presenting each set of 3 to 7 steps in a procedure.

The purpose of this page to man is to provide a ringer tracing exercise to aid students in recalling a sequence of steps.

For each cluster of 3 to 7 steps, present a Road Map showing how the steps are chained together.



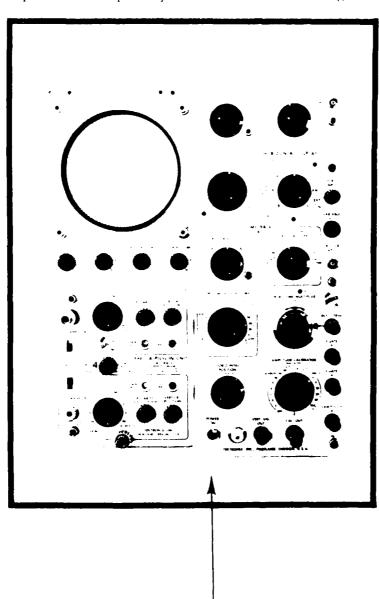
Present last step from previous cluster

If the procedure is to be performed on the job with a checklist, present the checklist items here.

#### Performing Procedures Formai Model - Page 5

Use this type of page at the end of the learning  $n > 1 \, {\rm dec.}$ 

The purpose of this page format is to provide st = r + w with a way to practice one step, a set of steps, or all the steps in a procedure without the steps and prompts.



Make sure this page is a foldout that can be used at any time.

If the procedure is to be performed on the job with a checklist, present the entire checklist here, or on the opposite page where it can be easily seen while viewing this page.

APPENDIX C
PLA SYSTEM ERROR MESSAGES

#### PLA SYSTEM ERROR MESSAGES

The occurrence of a Fatal Error Message indicates that a specific page could not be generated for the reason stated in the message. The specific page number is stated in the space designated "###" in the list of error messages.

A Fatal Error indicates that the PLA system was unable to generate a page layout using the data entered in the Input/Edit Page Data for the specific page. The PLA system, after exhausting the repertoire of solutions for that problem, has aborted the process and has provided a Fatal Error Message explaining the reason for terminating the process. The Fatal Error Messages provide sufficient guidance to enable the author to correct the Input/Edit Page Data for that page.

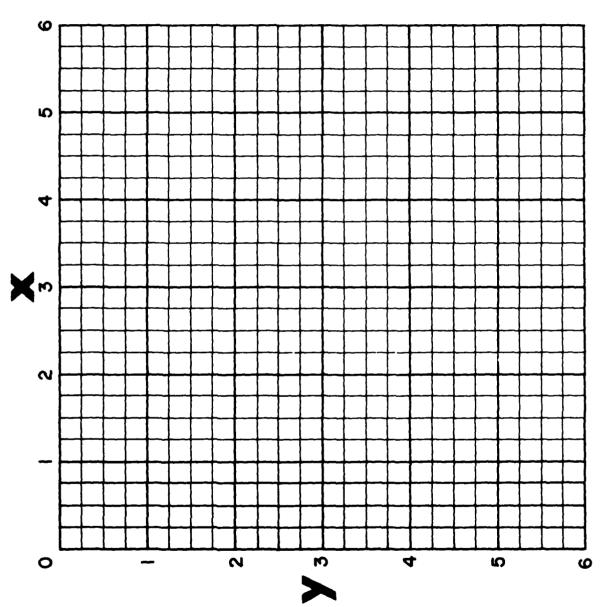
#### PLA: SYSTEM ERROR MESSAGES

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FATAL ERROR: Label too wide for page ###, ABORTED!
FATAL ERROR: Label too long for page ###, ABORTED!
FATAL ERROR: Label too wide and long, page ###, ABORTED!
FATAL ERROR: No Pictures(s) Present in the Data for Page ###, ABORTED!
FATAL ERROR:
             Illegal Layout, More Than 1 Label to a Pic For Page ###, ABORTED!
FATAL ERROR: Main Overview Pic Referenced Illegally For Page ###, ABORTED!
             Main Overview Pic Referenced by a Label for Page ###, ABORTED!
FATAL ERROR:
FATAL ERROR: A Label is Missing in the Sequence For Page ###, ABORTED!
FATAL ERROR:
             Illegal Picture to Label Relationship For Page ###, ABORTED!
FATAL ERROR:
             Illegal Picture to Picture Relationship For Page ###, ABORTED!
FATAL ERROR: More Than 1 Picture to a Label For Page ###, ABORTED!
FATAL ERROR: More Than 1 Overview To a Close-Up Picture For Page ###, ABORTED!
FATAL ERROR: Picture Dimensions Insufficient to Generate For Page ###, ABORTED!
FATAL ERROR: Internal Coordinates Outside of Pic's Dims For Page ###, ABORTED!
FATAL ERROR: A Reference is Made to a Non-existing Label For Page ###, ABORTED!
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# APPENDIX D

PLA: PAGE LAYOUT ALGORITHM PICTURE COORDINATES GRID MASTER

The Picture Coordinates Grid is to be used as a master to produce an overlay for the computation of picture dimensions and coordinates. The grid is laid out as an 0.25 inch scale.



PLA: PAGE LAYOUT ALGORITHM PICTURE COORDINATES GRID

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